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SUBJECT: U.S. - INDIAN TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS

FOR U.S. TEXTILE TEAM

1. INDIAN ECONOMIC MINISTER DIXIT HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT INDIAN GOVERNMENT CANNOT RECONCILE ITS FIGURES ON EXPORTS OF COTTON TEXTILES TO U.S. WITH U.S. IMPORT FIGURES. DIXIT HAS ASKED THAT IMMEDIATE STEPS BE TAKEN TO RECONCILE FIGURES AND AVOID EMBARGO ON INDIAN TEXTILE EXPORTS. TEXT OF LETTER AND ATTACHED TABLES FOLLOW BELOW: BEGIN QUOTE

-- OFF AND ON, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HAS BEEN INFORMING US OF VARIOUS LEVELS OF UTILIZATION OF INDIA'S QUOTAS UNDER DIFFERENT GROUPS OF TEXTILES FOR THE CURRENT YEAR OF THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT. MY GOVERNMENT HAS INFORMED ME THAT THESE FIGURES DO NOT RECONCILE WITH THE MONITORING
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OF INDIA'S EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES UNDER VARIOUS GROUPS.

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ONE POSSIBLE EXPLANATION FOR THE WIDE DISCREPANCY IN THE STATISTICS OF INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES COULD PERHAPS BE THAT SOME CONSIGNMENTS SHIPPED FROM INDIA CERTIFIED UNDER CERTAIN CATEGORIES HAVE BEEN WRONGFULLY DEBITED BY THE U.S. AUTHORITIES TO DIFFERENT CATEGORIES.

-- I AM ENCLOSING HEREWITH A CATEGORY-WIDE BREAK-UP OF INDIA'S EXPORTS OF COTTON TEXTILES TO THE UNITED STATES WHICH WERE PASSED FOR SHIPMENT BY THE INDIAN AUTHORITIES FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1975 TO JUNE 30, 1976. YOU WILL OBSERVE THAT UP TO JUNE 30, 1976, INDIA HAS SHIPPED THE FOLLOWING QUANTITIES OF COTTON TEXTILES TO THE UNITED STATES UNDER DIFFERENT GROUPS:

GROUP I 122.187 MILLION SQUARE YARDS
MADE-UPS IN GROUP I 11.515 MILLION SQUARE YARDS
GROUP II 19. -DO-
SPECIAL GROUP III 2.351 MILLION DOZEN

-- I WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HAS ISSUED LICENCES FOR THE EXPORT OF VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF TEXTILES TO THE FULL AMOUNTS OF QUOTAS AVAILABLE AND MERCHANDISE FOR THE UNFULFILLED PART OF THE QUOTAS MAY BE IN TRANSIT OR MAY BE EXPORTED BEFORE THE EXPIRY OF THE CURRENT AGREEMENT YEAR. YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT IT WILL NOT BE IN THE INTEREST OF THE INDO-U.S. TRADE IN TEXTILES IF CONSIGNMENTS RIGHTFULLY SHIPPED FROM INDIA HAVE ANY DIFFICULTIES IN CLEARANCE AT THE U.S. PORTS ON ACCOUNT OF THE DISCREPANCY IN THESE FIGURES. THE PRESENT SITUATION HAS BECOME URGENT AS I AM TOLD THAT CERTAIN CONSIGNMENTS OF MADE-UP ITEMS UNDER GROUP I DULY VISAED BY AUTHORITIES IN INDIA HAVE BEEN DENIED ENTRY IN THE UNITED STATES AS THE U.S. STATISTICS SHOW THAT THE QUOTA FOR THESE CATEGORIES OF TEXTILES HAS BEEN FULFILLED. SIMILAR SITUATION MAY COME UP IN OTHER CATEGORIES OF GOODS IF THE STATISTICS ARE NOT RECONCILED IMMEDIATELY.

-- I SHALL, THEREFORE, BE GRATEFUL IF YOU KINDLY HAVE THE POSITION CHECKED WITH A VIEW TO RECONCILE THESE FIGURES. ALSO I WILL APPRECIATE IF, PENDING THIS RECON-
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CILIATION, YOU TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT CONSIGNMENTS THAT ARRIVE AT THE U.S. PORTS FROM INDIA DULY VISAED OR CERTIFIED BY AUTHORITIES IN INDIA ARE NOT DETAINED.

J.N. DIXIT

SHIPMENTS OF COTTON TEXTILES FROM INDIA TO THE UNITED STATES

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DURING OCTOBER 1, 1975 TO JUNE 30, 1976

GROUP I
CATEGORIES
009/10 42.515 MILLION SQUARE YARDS
018/19 13.790 -DO-
022 16.255 -DO-
026 (DUCK) 10.079 -DO-
026 (NON-DUCK) 25.765 -DO-
#
BASKET CATEGORIES 2.268 -DO-
TOTAL 110.672 -DO-

MADE-UPS
028/29 1.121 -DO-
031 3.911 -DO-
034/35 1.016 -DO-
OTHER MADE-UPS 5.467 -DO-
TOTAL 11.515 -DO-
TOTAL GROUP I 122.187 -DO-

GROUP II
039 103,767 SQUARE YARDS
041 7,234 -DO-
042 1,134,378 -DO-
043 15 -DO-
045 411,420 -D0-
046 2,625,752 -DO-
047 222,547 -DO-
049 428,788 -DO-
050 447,654 -DO-
051 66,005 -DO-
052 7,380,307 -DO-
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053 3,065,119 -DO-
054 54,281 -DO-
055 399,995 -DO-
056 812 -DO-
057 2 -DO-
058 30 -DO-
059 8,036 -DO-
060 87,079 -DO-
061 8,461 -DO-
062 1,117,222 -DO-
063 1,431,920 -DO-
TOTAL GROUP II 19,000,824

SPECIAL GROUP III 2,351,757 DOZEN END QUOTE

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2. WASHINGTON AGENCIES WILL FORWARD COMMENT AFTER FIGURES
HAVE BEEN ANALYZED. ROBINSON

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